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Customer No. 23643 Group: 1614 Confirmation No.: 8706 Application No.: 10/620,221 **ELECTRONICALLY FILED ON: NEUROTHERAPEUTIC** February 20, 2007 Invention: **CLAVULANATE COMPOSITION** AND METHOD Gary A. Koppel Inventor: July 15, 2003 Filed: Attorney Docket: 22064-71990 Examiner: Unknown

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attention: DO/EO/US MAIL STOP PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination on the merits of the above-identified national patent application submitted herewith, applicants request entry of the following amendment. Applicants do not believe that any fees are due with this preliminary amendment; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due with this amendment to the deposit account of Barnes & Thornburg account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter No. 3220-71990.

Amendments to the Description begin on page 2 of this paper.